

REMARKS

Summary of the Office Action

In the Office Action, claims 20-22 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 3,770,292 to *Palazzetti*, U.S. Patent No. 6,293,530 to *Delorenzis* and U.S. Patent No. 6,293,561 to *Goetzen*, further in view of 6,029,764 to *Schubert*.

Claims 25 and 26 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101 as being directed to non-statutory subject matter.

Claims 1, 3, 4 and 6-18 have been allowed.

Summary of the Response to the Office Action

Applicant proposes amending claims 1 and 4, and claims 25 and 26 to address the 35 U.S.C. §101 rejection. Rejected claims 20-22 have been canceled.

Claims 25 and 26 are Allowable

In the Office Action, claims 25-26 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101 as being directed to non-statutory subject matter of a system with no structure provided. Claims 25 and 26 have been amended to recite a structure for the system claimed and therefore are believed to be in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the 35 U.S.C. § 101 rejection of claims 25 and 26 being directed to non-statutory subject matter.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully requests the entry of this Amendment to place the application in clear condition for allowance or, in the alternative, in better form for appeal. Applicant also requests the Examiner's reconsideration and reexamination of the application and the timely allowance of the pending claims. Should the Examiner feel that there are any issues outstanding after consideration of this response, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's undersigned representative to expedite prosecution.

If there are any other fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 04-2223. If a fee is required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 not accounted for above, such an extension is requested and the fee should also be charged to our Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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